# POWERSCORE 1-MONTH LSAT STUDY PLAN USING THE POWERSCORE BIBLES

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# **4-WEEK LSAT STUDY PLAN**

## **General Thoughts**

Successfully preparing for the LSAT is about consistency and diligence. Even though the test measures *how* you think and not *what* you know, training yourself to think like the test makers requires time.

Simply put: this isn't a test where cramming proves effective! Instead, your efforts need to be extensive, where you make the most of every study opportunity. For this plan to be effective, you need to dedicate at least 20-25 hours of test prep time each week (and hopefully much more!).

Four weeks is definitely on the shorter side as far as study plans go, but it's doable provided you're realistic. With this plan and some hard work, you have more than enough time to read all three LSAT Bibles, and to apply the strategies you learn with our Workbooks and Type Training Drills. The good news is that success on this test isn't solely a numbers game; although the number of hours you spend training is surely important, what matters even more is how you train.

# How to Use This Study Plan

Each week's assignments are categorized into one of four types: Logical Reasoning, Logic Games, Reading Comprehension, and Practice Tests. This will give you a good sense of exactly what you need to cover during a particular week. Although we encourage you to complete the tasks in the order given, you may adjust the schedule and content to your own needs as you progress.

To help you prioritize your tasks based on your specific areas of weakness, we have labeled many of the assignments in this plan as "Optional."

- If you are already somewhat strong in one of the areas, say, Reading Comprehension, you can omit the Optional portions of the plan tailored to that section and devote that time to further study in another section.
- If you find that you have room for improvement in, say, Logic Games, consider any "Optional" assignment tailored to that section to be mandatory.

A chart is provided for each week outlining the materials to be used and sections for your notes and progress reports. We strongly encourage you to keep detailed information in order to accurately measure your progress as well as track any uncompleted assignments. Keep notes about:

- exactly what you complete and when
- any elements you don't complete that should be a priority the following week
- your performance and general throughts on each

We also strongly encourage you to create a detailed LSAT Study Bible to accompany the notes in this study plan in order to better understand the concepts covered and your progress through the material. Begin this immediately! Instructions on exactly how to construct your Study Bible are provided <u>here</u>.

Finally, the coming weeks will undoubtedly test your resolve—both mentally and physically—so it is extremely important that you fully understand the nature of this test and what even incremental improvements mean. This *blog post* should help to motivate you as you continue to prepare, so give it careful consideration.

# **Recommended Materials**

The plan assumes you have the Recommended Materials listed below and you are encouraged to consider the optional/supplementary materials as well.

#### **Real LSATs from LSAC:**

• Official LSAT Prep Plus, a 1 year subscription with access to 70+ full Official LSAT PrepTests

#### **PowerScore Materials:**

- LSAT Bibles: Logic Games Bible, Logical Reasoning Bible, Reading Comprehension Bible
- The PowerScore LSAT <u>Testing and Analytics Package</u>. This tool provides you with a compressive performance analysis which will help you determine your strengths and weaknesses. It also includes PowerScore's Logic Game Type, Logical Reasoning Question Type, and Reading Comprehension Passage Type Training drills, which will help to test and reinforce the concepts you study in the LSAT Bibles.



#### **Optional Materials:**

- LSAT Workbooks: Logic Games Bible Workbook, Logical Reasoning Bible Workbook, Reading Comprehension Bible Workbook
- Advanced Courses: *Logic Games* and *Logical Reasoning*
- Our free <u>Self Study site</u> to use our test diagnostic tool for each practice test you take. This is not necessary if you have purchased a subscription to our *Testing and Analytics Package*.

### **Free Resources**

#### Webinars and In-Person Seminars

Our free webinars and in-person seminars are a great opportunity to learn from PowerScore's LSAT and admissions experts. Attendees receive special course discounts, so enroll today!

#### The LSAT PodCast

Hosted by our very own Dave Killoran and Jon Denning, the PowerScore LSAT PodCast offers hours of extra instruction. Topics range from specific LSAT concepts and strategies to test changes and LSAC news to admissions advice and frequently-asked student questions. Don't miss an episode!

#### LSAT and Law School Admissions Discussion Forum

Our LSAT Discussion Forum offers you a chance to interact with instructors, other students, and even our course authors and developers in a dynamic, collaborative environment! You can ask questions about everything from test concepts to admissions, and read through thousands of discussions on key techniques and strategies. The Forum provides a wealth of information that's sure to help you out as you prepare!

#### LSAT and Law School Admissions Blog

Our team of Course Developers, including PowerScore Bibles author Dave Killoran, update our blog several times per week with articles discussing LSAT trends, strategy breakdowns, study advice, application recommendations, and much more!



# Week 1: Four weeks to the LSAT

Your first week of study is extremely important. It serves as an introduction to the LSAT itself, and establishes a baseline as you take a timed practice test. Further, you will begin exploring Logical Reasoning, examining concepts such as the Basics of Logical Reasoning, the Question Stem and Answer Choices, Must Be True and Most Strongly Supported questions, Main Point Questions, and Conditional Reasoning. Each of these elements is absolutely critical to a strong Logical Reasoning performance, so be extremely diligent this week as you begin your preparation.

This week will also provide your first look at Logic Games and Reading Comprehension. It is an exceptionally labor-intensive week, so plan accordingly.

#### Practice Tests

Start your week by taking a practice LSAT. Before you begin this exam however, read the following information to better understand exactly *how you should take a practice test*.

We encourage you to begin with an official LSAT. Take PrepTest 73, it's available as a free digital test through <u>LSAC's Official LSAT Prep</u> as well as in our <u>Testing and Analytics Package</u>. Take this exam under the same timed conditions you will face on test day (35 minutes per section unless you have specific accommodations).

This timed test will establish a baseline score, and give you an initial sense of both the test and your natural strengths and weaknesses. Do NOT let the results discourage you! They are in no way indicative of your potential or what your final score will be. It's merely a chance for you to familiarize yourself with the experience of taking a real LSAT under timed (test-day) conditions.

Upon completion of the exam, you'll receive a comprehensive analysis of your performance via our *Testing and Analytics Package Platform.* If you accessed the practice test on LSAC's website, simply transfer your answers into the test scoring tool on our Self Study site to take advantage of its free test analytics. Be sure to save these results and use them to help guide the early stages of your prep.

#### Logical Reasoning

- To begin your Logical Reasoning studies, read Chapters One through Four of the <u>Logical Reasoning Bible</u>. This reading selection takes you from an Introduction and Overview of the LSAT in Chapter One, through discussions of the Logical Reasoning section in general in Chapters Two and Three, and into Must Be True questions in Chapter Four.
- Once you feel comfortable with the first four chapters, read Chapter Six on Conditional Reasoning. Conditional Reasoning is a particularly challenging concept for many students, so it is imperative that you spend sufficient time with it, as it will figure heavily in both the Logical Reasoning and Logic Games sections of the LSAT.
- After you finish Chapter Six in the Logical Reasoning Bible, complete the LR Question Type Training drills **Must Be True Questions: Volume 1**. To find these, log in to your <u>Testing and Analytics Package</u> account and navigate to the **Drills Sets** page. Scroll down to the Logical Reasoning section and after you locate the appropriate drills, click the **Take** button to begin. Together, Chapter Six and the drills discuss and test Must Be True/Most Strongly Supported questions, the most common LR question type and a prominent feature in Reading Comprehension as well.

Note: as you work through the Must Be True questions in the Type Training drills, you will encounter a number or stimuli featuring Conditional Reasoning.

- Next, read Chapter Five in the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. This chapter covers Main Point questions, a common question type in both the Logical Reasoning and Reading Comprehension sections.
- (Optional): After reading Chapter Five in the *Logical Reasoning Bible,* return to the *Testing and Analytics* Drill Sets page, LR section, and take **Main Point Questions, V1**. These drills will help you develop your skills at recognizing and understanding argumentation.

#### Logic Games

- First, read Chapter Two of the *Logic Games Bible*. This will serve as your introduction to Logic Games, as you learn about the basics of Analytical Reasoning. Note that you can skip Chapter One of the *Games Bible*, which is the same general introduction to the test that you encountered in Chapter One of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*.
- Next, read Chapter Three of the *Logic Games Bible*. This chapter discusses Linear Games, one of the most fundamental, and most common, types of Games on the LSAT.
- Upon completion of Chapter Three of the Games Bible, complete the *Logic Games Type Training* drill sets (found in **Testing and Analytics**) named **Basic Linear Games: Volume 1**.
- (Optional): Next, read Chapter Seven of the *Logic Games Bible*, covering Pure Sequencing Games. These games use the same sequencing principles you learned in Chapter Three, and it is imperative to master their use early on.
- (Optional) Last, practice creating sequencing diagrams by working through the LG *Type Training* drills **Pure Sequencing Games: V1** in *Testing and Analytics*.

#### Reading Comprehension

- Begin by reading Chapters Two through Four of the <u>Reading Comprehension Bible</u>. Skip the section in Chapter Three that covers argumentation. Note that you can also skip Chapter One, as that is an overview of the test that you have already encountered in the Logical Reasoning Bible.
- Continue by working through Chapters Five, Six, and Seven of the *Reading Comprehension Bible*. Here you will encounter many key concepts such as Diagramming and how to best attack the various question types and answer choices. Finally, you will work through a summary chapter where all of the ideas you have seen so far get incorporated into a single, overarching approach.
- (Optional): Next, go back to *Testing and Analytics* to practice some *Passage Type Training* by completing the Reading Comprehension drill sets called **Humanities: Volume 1**.
- We encourage our students to become active readers of publications and journals the tone and style of which closely aligns with passages on the LSAT. This will help you more quickly acclimate to the nature of passages created by the test makers. Some examples of worthwhile sources of additional reading include: The Economist, Scientific American, The Wall Street Journal or New York Times, and other economically-, legally-, or scientifically-oriented texts.

#### Practice Tests

• Finish your first week by taking *PrepTest 81*. Take all four sections in a row, without a break.

| Week 1 Assignments |            |       |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------|------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Assignment         | Completed? | Notes |  |  |  |  |
| PrepTest 73        |            |       |  |  |  |  |
|                    |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch1            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch2            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch3            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch4            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch6            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch5            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LGB Ch2            | 1          |       |  |  |  |  |
|                    |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LGB Ch3            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LG Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LGB Ch7            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LG Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| RCB Ch2            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| RCB Ch3            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| RCB Ch4            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| RCB Ch5            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| RCB Ch6            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| RCB Ch7            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| RC Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| PrepTest 78        |            |       |  |  |  |  |



## Week 2: Three weeks to the LSAT

This will probably be the most difficult week of your study plan, so clear your schedule and prepare to devote at least 30-35 hours to solid prep time. You will continue your Logical Reasoning studies with questions in the Second and Third Families (Weaken, Strengthen, Justify, and Assumption), and you will also take a comprehensive look at Causality on the LSAT. In Logic Games, you will learn to tackle Advanced Linear games, while your Reading Comprehension assignment will take you through Comparative Reading.

You will also need to take two full practice tests, each will take approximately 2.5 hours to complete. Make them the final two tasks this week. Be sure to consider our recommendations if you are unclear on the proper way to take a practice test.

Remember: the analytics we provide on our Self Study site must be thoroughly reviewed after each practice test as you consider your evolving strengths and weaknesses. The emphasis is still on conceptual understanding, so if you are unable to take both practice tests, take only one of them. The rest of the assignments still take priority.

#### Logic Games

- Start by completing Chapter Four of the *Logic Games Bible*. This chapter addresses Advanced Linear Games, a natural extension of Basic Linear Games, and another extremely common game type.
- Your final Games assignment of the week is to complete the LG *Type Training* drills Advanced Linear Games: V1 found in *Testing and Analytics*. These will reinforce the skills you learned in Chapter Four of the LGB.

#### Logical Reasoning

- For Logical Reasoning, you should first read Chapter Seven in the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. This chapter examines Weaken questions, which constitute the only question type in the Family #3: Hurt category (as discussed in Chapter Three).
- Next, work through Chapter Eight of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. Chapter Eight covers both basic and advanced Causal Reasoning, a very common type of reasoning on the test (and particularly prevalent in Weaken questions).
- (Optional): Complete the *Question Type Training* drills in **Weaken Questions: V1** in *Testing and Analytics,* which feature a significant amount of Cause and Effect Reasoning.
- After you learn about causality in Weaken questions, proceed to Chapter Nine of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. This chapter addresses Strengthen questions, and you will encounter Causality frequently as well (causal reasoning appears in the majority of Strengthen questions).
- (Optional): Next work through the *Testing and Analytics* drills in **Strengthen Questions: V1**, to reinforce your abilities as outlined in the *Logical Reasoning Bible* for this question type.
- After you have completed your Strengthen assignments, proceed to Chapter Ten of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. Here you will see another Help Family question type, Justify the Conclusion.
- (Optional) Next, practice the Testing and Analytics drills in Justify Questions: V1
- Your last Logical Reasoning assignment of the week is Assumption questions, discussed in Chapter Eleven of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. This is one of the most challenging question types for many test takers, so take your time as you work through the ideas presented to ensure a complete understanding of them.
- Finally, to hone your question type skills for Assumption questions, return to *Testing and Analytics* and complete the drill set **Assumption Questions: V1**. Because these questions appear frequently, and because they are often considered to be the most difficult quetions of the test, this assighment should be thought of as less "optional" than others this week.

#### Reading Comprehension

- Read Chapter Eight of the *Reading Comprehension Bible*. This chapter addresses Comparative Reading Passages and thus is vitally important to fully understand.
- Read Chapter Nine of the *Reading Comprehension Bible* on Common Passage Themes.
- Read Chapter Ten of the *Reading Comprehension Bible*. This discussion of Section Strategy and Time Management will take you to the end of the *Reading Bible's* conceptual analyses.

#### Practice Tests

- Take *Prep Test 82* under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- Take *Prep Test 83* under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- (Optional): Take *Prep Test 79* under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.

| Week 2 Assignments |            |       |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------|------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Assignment         | Completed? | Notes |  |  |  |  |
| LGB Ch4            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LG Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |
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| LRB Ch7            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch8            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch9            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch10           |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch11           |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |
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| RCB Ch8            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| RCB Ch9            |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| RCB Ch10           |            |       |  |  |  |  |
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| PrepTest 82        |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| PrepTest 83        |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| PrepTest 79        |            |       |  |  |  |  |

# **Feeling Stuck?**

Self-study isn't for everyone. Sometimes you need a little help to get through a tough concept, or to gain those last few points you need for your target school.

#### Work with a Tutor

Many students find that even 5 or 10 hours of targeted personal tutoring can really enhance their self-study. Tutoring packages include comprehensive materials and online resources that are only available to students who take a course or enlist <u>the help of a tutor</u>.



#### **Take a Course**

Self-Study students often utilize the <u>On Demand</u> version of our flagship LSAT course when they need expert guidance. This course includes thousands of pages of materials, over 80 hours of on demand lectures and content videos (taught by a top 170+ scoring instructor), and access to our Online Student Center that contains practice tests, scoring feedback, lesson and homework explanations, and much more. After you pay your initial enrollment fee, just continue your subscription for as many months of online access as you need and cancel at any time when you're done.





# Week 3: Two weeks to the LSAT

This week you will continue building your conceptual foundation for Logical Reasoning and Logic Games concurrently, so there is still a fair amount of diversity involved. By the end of this week, you will have reviewed most of the major concepts, so timing starts to take on a greater role in your preparation. The focus will now move towards working through as many tests as possible under timed conditions, in order to acclimate you to the rigors of the LSAT. To that end, you should plan to take three full, practice tests, The goal is to build your endurance both mentally and physically so that you are fully prepared for test day.

This will be another exceptionally intense week work-wise. To lighten your workload, most the *Question Type Training* assignments--the Drills Sets found in your *Testing and Analytics Package* account--are still labeled as "Optional." As discussed in the introduction, if any of these tasks are tailored to sections that you feel particularly weak in, consider these tasks mandatory.

#### Logical Reasoning

- Read Chapters Fourteen and Fifteen of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. The question types discussed— Method of Reasoning and Flaw in the Reasoning—are very closely related, so it is useful to pair these two chapters with one another.
- Complete the Logical Reasoning *Question Type* drill sets **Method of Reasoning and Method-AP Questions: V1** and **Flaw in the Reasoning Questions: V1** in *Testing and Analytics* to reinforce those question types. Together they will make up a significant portion of your LR score, so it is imperative that you are comfortable with them prior to test day.
- Read Chapter Sixteen of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. This chapter covers Parallel Reasoning questions, which can be extremely time-consuming without the proper approach. These questions also pair nicely with the other two types discussed this week, Method and Flaw.
- (Optional): Return to *Testing and Analytics* and complete the **Parallel Reasoning and Parallel Flaw Questions: V1** drill set.

#### Logic Games

- Read Chapter Five of the *Logic Games Bible*. Here you will learn about Grouping Games, one of the most common—and most challenging—game types.
- Next, complete the first half of **Grouping Games: V1** in *Testing and Analytics*. These drills begin with PT3, December 1991, Game #1: Couple's Entrees and run through PT12, October 1994, Game #3: Street Vendor.
- (Optional): Complete the second half of **Grouping Games: V1**. While optional, we strongly encourage you to complete all Grouping Games in this assignment if at all possible.

#### Practice Tests

- Take *Prep Test 84* under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- Take *Prep Test 85* under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- Take Prep Test 86 under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.

| Week 3 Assignments |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------|------------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Assignment         | Completed? | Notes |  |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch14           |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch15           |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch16           |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
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| LGB Ch5            |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LG Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
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| PrepTest 84        |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| PrepTest 85        |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| PrepTest 86        |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |



# Week 4: One week to the LSAT

This week is about both conceptual and mental preparation. You should plan to take 2-3 practice tests as outlined below, allowing ample time for review, however be sure that you do not attempt a test the day before the exam. This is intentional: the goal is to avoid burnout the week before the test. Focus on building your confidence and visualizing a strong performance on test day.

#### Reading Comprehension

- (Optional): Return to *Testing and Analytics* and complete the first half of each of the following RC drill sets: Law Related: V1 (ending with PT12, October 1994, Passage #3: Legal Reasons), Regulation: V1 (ending with PT8, June 1993, Passage #2: Gray Marketing), Social Science: V1 (ending with PT6, October 1992, Passage #4: Steel Producers), and Hard Science Passages: V1 (ending with PT11, June 1994, Passage #3: Speciation).
- (Optional): Complete the entire Passage ReChallenge section of the *Reading Comprehension Bible* doing each ReChallenge Set as a timed exercise. Thoroughly review the explanations.
- (Optional) Complete the second half of the *Testing and Analytics* RC drills in Law Related: V1, Regulation: V1, Social Science: V1, and Hard Science Passages: V1.

#### Logical Reasoning

- Begin by reading Chapter Twelve of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. Here you will see Resolve the Paradox questions.
- (Optional): After you work through Chapter Twelve in the LRB, complete the LR drill set **Resolve the Paradox: V1** in *Testing and Analytics*.
- Next, work through Chapter Seventeen of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*, discussing the use of Numbers and Percentages on the LSAT.
- To help tackle this increasingly common type of evidence in Logical Reasoning questions, complete the LR drill set **Numbers and Percentages Questions: V1** from the *Testing and Analytics Package*.
- Read Chapter Twenty-One of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. This chapter covers Principle Questions—not a distinct "type" per se, but rather a commonly-featured idea that often employs conditional reasoning.
- (Optional): Return to *Testing and Analytics* and complete **Principle Questions: V1** of the Logical Reasoning drill sets.
- (Optional): Review fundamental concepts in Logical Reasoning by completing the first half of the LR drill sets from **Conditional Reasoning Questions: V1** (ending with the question in which the Stimulus begins, "The annual Journal for Publication) and **Cause and Effect Reasoning Questions: V1** (ending with the question in which the Stimulus begins, "When girls are educated...") in *Testing and Analytics*.
- (Optional): Complete the second half of **Conditional Reasoning Questions: V1** and **Cause and Effect Reasoning Questions: V1**.
- Read Chapter Twenty Two of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. This final chapter presents a detailed discussion of Section Strategy and Time Management, which should correspond closely to similar closing chapters in the *Logic Games Bible* and *Reading Comprehension Bible*. This will also take you to the end of this book.

#### Logic Games

- Once you feel comfortable with the Grouping Games from the previous week, read Chapter Six of the *Logic Games Bible*. Here you will examine Linear/Grouping Combination games, so this is a good opportunity to review both Linear and Grouping concepts.
- Upon completion of Chapter Six in the LGB, work through the LG drills **Grouping/Linear Combination Games: V1**, found in the *Testing and Analytics Package*.
- Read Chapters Nine and Ten of the *Logic Games Bible*. As you near the end of this book you will encounter some more advanced ideas, such as Numerical Distributions and Limited Solution Set games. There is also a lengthy discussion on overall section strategy that should help you better understand how to put all of the skills you have learned into practice.
- (Optional): Complete the **Advanced Features and Techniques Games: V1** in *Testing and Analytics*. Here you will work through a large collection of games exhibiting the Advanced Features covered in the *Logic Games Bible*. Once you finish you will have completed the Game Type Training drills.
- (Optional): Complete the entire Logic Games ReChallenge section in the *Logic Games Bible*, doing each ReChallenge Set as a timed exercise. Thoroughly review the explanations.

#### Practice Tests

- Take *PrepTest 87* under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- Take *PrepTest 88* under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- Take *PrepTest 89* under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.

#### Other

During the final stretch to your test, you should make sure that you are as mentally prepared as possible for the pressures of test day. To help you reach a state of pure mental confidence and balance, we've compiled a list of some of our favorite LSAT mentality resources. Set aside some time before the test to think about how you will approach the LSAT when it begins and especially how you will react if you encounter any difficulties. It's an essential step, and one that can dramatically impact your score. Although all of these articles are important, we strongly recommend you watch the Test Mentality webinar and follow the specific recommendations in that discussion.

#### The Ultimate Test Mentality Resource List

The final weeks before test day require a different strategy. We have some articles on our <u>Last Minute LSAT</u> <u>Advice</u> page that you might find helpful, including a discussion of <u>final week prep</u> and the difference between LSAT <u>Cancellations</u>, <u>Withdrawals</u>, <u>and Absences</u> if you're having cold feet.

There are several worthwhile articles discussing important issues beyond strategies and mental preparation, such as the logistics of test day itself, and how to prepare yourself for the test with proper diet and nutrition:

#### What to Do the Day Before and Morning of the LSAT

#### Thought for Food: Eating Your Way to a 180 on the LSAT

Finally, on the day before the LSAT, relax! Do something that makes you happy and don't worry about the LSAT (assuming you know where your testing center is or your room is prepared for the ProctorU virtual proctor system). It is imperative that you are fully rested before the exam, so avoid any strenuous activities, whether physical or mental. So don't run a half-marathon, and don't attempt any full practice tests!

| Week 4 Assignments |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Assignment         | Completed? | Notes |  |  |  |  |  |
| RC Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RC Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| RC Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| RCB ReChallenge    |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch12           |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch17           |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch21           |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LR Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LRB Ch22           |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LGB Ch6            |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LG Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LGB Ch9            |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LGB Ch10           |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LG Drills          |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| LGB ReChallenge    |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| PrepTest 87        |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| PrepTest 88        |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| PrepTest 89        |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Test Mentality     |            |       |  |  |  |  |  |

# The Day of the LSAT:

You want this day to be as predictable and distraction-free as possible. Do everything that you can to stay calm, focused, and above all, positive! Eat a good breakfast, of course.

Perhaps review a Logic Game or a few Logical Reasoning Questions to get your brain revved up. These can even be Games/Questions you've attempted previously! Just keep it to a minimum, and stay confident at all times!

Sit down at your testing device early (or get to the testing center early) and run through the test in your head. Visualize an exceptional performance. To perform well on the LSAT, believe that you can perform well. Imagine how you will respond to each Logic Game, Reading Passage, and Logical Reasoning Question. Elite athletes use this technique to optimize their performance in sporting events and you can, too.

Best of luck! You got this.

# After the LSAT:

There are a number of questions that most test takers begin to ponder post-LSAT. Three of the most common are given below, along with comprehensive explanations of each:

1. Can I determine the experimental section, and what exactly do I need to know about it?

Answers: The Experimental Section Explained and <u>3 Myths About the Experimental Section</u>

- Should I keep or cancel my score, and what are the consequences of canceling?
  Answers: <u>LSAT Cancellations, Withdrawals, and Absences: What's the Difference?</u>, <u>Should You Cancel Your</u> <u>LSAT Score?</u>, and <u>How Do Law Schools View Multiple LSAT Score?</u>
- 3. Is retaking the LSAT worth it, and what can I expect for my next attempt?

Answer: Should You Retake the LSAT?

If you have any specific questions about your test, you can always head over to our <u>LSAT Forum</u> where we typically have discussions ongoing about all LSAT administrations between other test takers and our LSAT experts.

# **LSAT Writing:**

Your LSAT is not complete until you've submitted a writing sample. You can wait up to a year, but you won't receive a score and your file won't be complete until you do so. Since you're in LSAT mode, we recommend that you get it out of the way quickly! In this article we dissect LSAT Writing piece by piece, from the General Directions to the specific Essay Directions to the the details of an actual sample, and give you the tools to craft an essay that any admissions board would be pleased to receive. You don't want to miss this resource.

The Ultimate Guide to LSAT Writing

## A Final Note:

We at PowerScore want to thank you for choosing us as your test preparation provider, and trusting us to help you reach your full potential on the LSAT. Our hope is that your performance exceeds your expectations and that this Study Guide and accompanying resources are fully sufficient for your particular needs. However please do not hesitate to contact us with additional questions or concerns, or to inquire about the other services we offer! Above all else we want to see our students reach their goals, and we'll do all that we can to ensure that occurs for you.

Finally, feel encouraged to share this study plan with friends, colleagues, or anyone else you may encounter who is studying for the LSAT! It's a powerful resource and we're confident others will benefit from it as you hopefully have.

Thanks again, and best of luck in law school!

# Logical Reasoning Problem Tracker

Use the following sheet to track any difficulties that you have with Logical Reasoning questions. Note the location of the question (for example: PT23, Sec 2, #6), the type of question (for example: Assumption), the correct answer, the answer you chose, and what happened (for example: missed the word "not" in D). On occasion, return to this page and examine your mistakes for patterns, then spend additional time working to correct those issues.

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# Logic Games Problem Tracker

Use the following sheet to track any difficulties that you have with Logic Games questions. Note the location of the game (for example: PT38, G3, #17), the type of question (for example: Could Be True), the correct answer, the answer you chose, and what happened (for example: chose B which was a Could be True answer). On occasion, return to this page and examine your mistakes for patterns, then spend additional time working to correct those issues.

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# **Reading Comprehension Problem Tracker**

Use the following sheet to track any difficulties that you have with Reading Comprehension questions. Note the location of the passage (for example: PT44, P1, #4), the type of question (for example: Must, AP), the correct answer, the answer you chose, and what happened (for example: answer choice A is the critic's viewpoint, not the author's). On occasion, return to this page and examine your mistakes for patterns, then spend additional time working to correct those issues.

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